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## *The Believer's Course in Times of the Apostasy*

Jude 3, "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

The book of Jude which forms a sort of prefix to the book of Revelation, is an epistle that should be often read by Christians in these days for it has special application to the times of the apostasy which are unduly upon us. In Jude we have a picture of apostate Christendom manifested, while Revelation follows with a picture of apostate Christendom judged. Jude therefore has especially to do with conditions existing just prior to the time of our Lord's return. The strongest language in the New Testament is found in this little epistle. There are some twenty-one different applications to teachers who defile the church in the last days. No image seems powerful enough to paint the shameless condition of the times of this awful falling away, while many, still cling to a religious profession, misapply the Word of God and bring shame and defeat to thousands of honest hearts.

### **The Dark Background**

As we review what Jesus says of latter day apostasy, let the reader remember that he is not getting the words of some fanatical fundamentalist but the words of inspired Scripture. "Certain men crept

S. W. LATIMER, General Overseer

in unawares," v. 4. There were already apostate workers in Jude's day and of course they will become more numerous as the days go by. The words "crept in" literally mean to ooze in thru the cracks, and before we know it they are dividing our people and bringing confusion and division in the church, and if possible deceive the very elect. Jude declares that they are nevertheless ungodly men, v. 4. and have turned the grace of God into lasciviousness. It is not personal lasciviousness that Jude charges here. They spurn the doctrine of divine grace, and endeavor to show that Christ's sacrifice on Calvary was nothing more than wanton murder. They deny His power to take away the sins of the world, and claim that culture and refinement take the place of the grace of God in the heart. They welcome the unregenerated and do away with all the joys and blessings of salvation. They cannot nor will not accept the Christian conception of a personal God destined from all His creatures. The next step is to deny our Lord Jesus Christ. They take away His deity and bring Him down to the level of man, and at the same time they exalt man to the place of the Divine.

In verses 5-7 he uses the strongest possible explanation to warn against embracing the errors of

these teachers. He recalls great judgments of the past which befell men because of their rejection of God's Word. He shows that these terrors should admonish us to give no countenance to men who contradict God's Word. In v. 8 he calls these men dreamers who defile the flesh. They have great dreams of a world order brought about by their social uplift, but their dreams fail to materialize because the flesh runs away with men who are not inwardly controlled by the Spirit of God. These characters and dreamers have many revelations and dreams that we could not mention here. These men, says Jude, despise government. They want no sovereignty over their lives other than human reason; they want their own way and claim that their word and advice is as good as God's Word.

They speak evil of those things which they know not, v. 10. They are swept along with popular opinion and do not hesitate to bring railing accusation against those who are standing for God's Word and its good order and government. What they know naturally as brute beast, in these things they pride themselves. They set up their own scholarship and moral standards against the Word of God, yet what they know they know only as natural men and they are therefore not qualified to speak of spir-

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## NOTICES

To the churches and ministers and all officials of the Church of God in Missouri: Having been appointed to serve this state another year, I humbly submit my service for the best interest of the state. I want every church to be 100 per cent for the rulings of the Assembly. I am asking that each church raise your 5 per cent mission quota and send half of it to the General Secretary, E. J. Boehmer, Cleveland, Tenn., and the other half to the state treasurer, J. W. Griffard, Box 257, Desloge, Mo. The Mission Board for the ensuing year will be G. P. Gower and C. L. Barker. District overseers are: Big Island district, B. F. Cooper, Bx. 125, Rt. 2, Steele, Mo.; Cantwell district, J. M. Foshee, Leadwood, Mo.; Joplin district, B. F. Clark, 921 Illinois Ave., Joplin, Mo.; St. Joseph district, C. L. Barker, 2716 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.

To all the secretaries of Sunday Schools, please report not later than the 10th to W. J. Milligan, Bx. 272, Desloge, Mo., state superintendent.—I am yours in service. W. J. Milligan, overseer of the Church of God in Missouri.

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### TO THE SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS, LOGAN DISTRICT

Having been appointed district superintendent of Sunday Schools for the ensuing year, I am here to serve you to the best of my ability. We are praying, trusting, and believing that by the help and grace of God and the hearty co-operation of the local superintendents, ministers and laity of this loyal district to the Church of God and her teachings, that this will be the greatest year for the Church schools yet, and if so, we will be going some.

The months of September, October, November, December, and January, hold unusual possibilities for strengthening and increasing the plans of organized classes. The season offers particularly good opportunity for developing the membership into an active on-going organization. This is true with regard to building up a good average attendance as well as adding new members. It is true with regard to a method of increasing the membership of the class and the entire school as well. In many

Church of God homes, as well as homes of other denominations, there are in the aggregate hundreds of people who do not habitually attend Sunday School. These homes ordinarily give us the basis of the present membership, but they do not give us all of their own membership. One of the simple but fruitful plans for increasing the active membership of any school is that known as the "one hundred per cent Church of God Sunday School home." This plan calls for no additional machinery and is so easily operated that it is likely to be overlooked if not closely studied for its possibilities. We are seeking to enlist the help of every father and mother, brother and sister. One of the definite appeals is simply the call that every home shall become a Sunday School home. This is a far-reaching appeal and the significance of it is beyond the comprehension of mortal to appreciate fully. If every home should become fully enlisted in the purposes of training in worship, teaching God's truth and training people to serve and to serve intelligently, there would come to pass a day for which we have prayed but have hardly dared hope. There is absolutely no machinery involved in this effort to enlist every home of every congregation as Sunday School homes. All that is required is already provided for in the regular machinery of the Sunday School. Therefore, long explanations are unnecessary, and we only suggest in the briefest form. Each local church will work out its own plans for putting this desirable effort into operation. In the effort to greatly magnify the importance of the church as carried on in the Sunday School, the Annual or Twenty-Ninth Assembly put in effect rules to increase our efficiency for Sunday School work and created the position of a Sunday School Editor. I want to insist that the local superintendents mail to me on the close of each quarter, the following report as it is very necessary as I have been in conference with the state superintendent and he expects the report from me. This will magnify the work of your school. We are making arrangements for state and district banners for the best Sunday Schools.

1. Officers on roll for the quarter.....

2. Teachers on roll for the quarter.....
3. Cradle roll members for quarter.....
4. Beginners on roll for the quarter.....
5. Juniors on roll for the quarter.....
6. Seniors on roll for the quarter.....
7. Intermediates on roll for quarter.....
8. Adults on roll for the quarter.....
9. Total money raised by the school for all purposes.....
10. Total expended for literature.....
11. Total raised for missions.....
12. Average amount raised per Sunday.....
13. Amount paid for assisting local needy persons.....
14. Amount paid for support of Orphanage.....
15. Amount paid out for other purposes.....
16. Total amount raised by Cradle Roll.....
17. Total amount raised by Beginners.....
18. Total raised by Juniors.....
19. Total amount raised by Seniors.....
20. Total amount raised by Intermediates.....
21. Total amount raised by the Adults.....
22. Total receipts from all sources.....
23. Total expenditures for all purposes.....

Is it too much to expect this report from a Sunday School superintendent? Then begin your Sunday School on time regularly each Sunday.

Read at least one worth-while book on the Sunday School every three or four months. Hold a well-planned workers' meeting each month. Lead your workers in attaining a program of work. Take the lead in securing needed literature for the school. Plan for the observance of special occasions. See that the school is properly classified. Hold training classes for all officers and teachers. Prepare a program of worship for each Sunday session. Be informed concerning the general development of your school. Consult from time to time with your pastor. Speak a word of appreciation to officers and teachers occasionally. Avoid a multitude of miscellaneous an-

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# THE Church of God Evangel

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## EVANGEL DRIVE

Many of you are doing nice work securing subscriptions for the Evangel. This we appreciate and ask that you further augment your efforts and assist us in increasing the circulation of the Evangel. Put on a drive in your local church of which you are a pastor, in your district, or in your state. Help us get the Gospel into new homes by securing subscribers to the Evangel. Price \$1.25 single subscription; 3 yearly subscriptions, \$1.00 each.

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## INCREASE IN DRUNKENNESS AND AUTOMOBILE FATALITIES

Recently the International Association of Chiefs of Police met in Washington. Dr. Theron Wendell Kilmer, a member of the police conference of Nassau County, himself the police surgeon of Hempstead, Long Island, quoting from a survey made in Nassau County, brought out figures which indicate an increase of not less than 425 per cent as compared with similar figures last year before the repeal of prohibition. The report states there are forty-four persons more injured in every one hundred accidents. "But the ratio for intoxicated drivers shows fifty-four injuries to every one hundred accidents; 23 per cent worse than the average." Dr. Kilmer further stated that comparison of the first five months of 1933 with the first five months of 1934 was nearly three times as many involving drunken drivers this year as last.

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## GENERAL STATISTICS

But turning to the different

states, according to figures compiled by the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, the increase of drunken drivers since repeal is 25 per cent in the State of New York, 37 per cent in Massachusetts, 100 per cent in Rhode Island, 42 per cent in the District of Columbia, 77 per cent in Pennsylvania, 36 per cent in Oregon, 37 per cent in New Jersey, 26 per cent in North Carolina and 43 per cent in New Hampshire. Taking some of the cities, Philadelphia shows an increase of 300 per cent; Cincinnati, 380 per cent; Trenton, N. J., 27.5 per cent; New Orleans, 122 per cent; and Los Angeles, 24 per cent. The only good report is from the state of Connecticut, where the increase is only 1.5 per cent which is attributable, perhaps, to the fact that you cannot buy hard liquor in that State except by the bottle. There is also a great increase in the automobile accidents to drunken pedestrians. This ranges from 23 per cent to 103 per cent in the State of New York, in which there was a 23 per cent increase in the arrests for intoxication during the first six months of 1934, as compared with the same period of 1933.

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## BOOTLEGGING STILL PREVALENT

But it is not only in the field of motor car driving that there is an increase of crime, as I have pointed out. The New York State Department of Correction reports an increase of 2.7 per cent in the number of major crimes committed during the first six months of 1934, as compared with the similar period of the previous year. The

only encouraging fact was a drop in homicides from 305 to 250.

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## PROPHETIC FREAK

W. M. Biggs of Rush Springs, Okla. claims possession of an egg upon which was imbedded in the shell the ominous forecast of war Nov. 29th. The letter is entirely plain and the owner has refused \$10.00 for the egg. What next?

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## PROBE OF FACISM

John W. McCormick, chairman of Congressional Committee, investigating James Smedley D. Butler's offer as fascist dictator in America, states that James E. Van Zandt, national chairman of veteran of foreign wars, has asserted that such a movement actually existed. He stated that four men including himself had been approached to head the movement, who were Major-General Douglas MacArthur, Chief of staff of United States army; Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and Hansford MacNider, former commander of the American Legion. It would seem, with the rise of facism, communism and Hitlerism in the United States, that if Uncle Sam is to have a peaceful ending he must necessarily clean house.

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## GERMANY ARMING

Associated Press reports, Paris, Nov. 19th, Germany could put 5,500,000 men in action next year. Divisions of Germany's military men are as follows: Germany's armed force in 1935: Standing army, 300,000; police ready for military service, 100,000; auxiliary troops, 60,000—total 480,000.

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Germany's probable armed force in 1935: Standing army, 400,000; police ready for military service, 100,000, auxiliary troops, 100,000—total, 600,000. But to these figures he added Germany's reserves, which he asserted were 4,900,000 men ready for immediate mobilization. Thus he arrived at a total of 5,500,000 men available for military service in Germany in 1935.

(A.P.), Nov. 24.—Paris warned again of "the German peril" and told Russia would help crush Hitler if Germany attacked. French deputies hurriedly collected \$375,000,000 of the total 1935 budget of \$700,000,000.

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#### MEXICAN BISHOP FEARS BOLSHEVISTS TO GO IN

CHICAGO, Nov. 19, (A.P.)—The most Rev. Leopoldo Ruiz y Flores, exiled archbishop of Mexico, predicted today that a bolshevist government soon will be in power in his native land.

The prelate, an exile from the country he served forty-six years as a priest, was in Chicago to attend the celebration in honor of Cardinal Mundelein's twenty-fifth anniversary as a bishop.

The activity of the government in Mexico, said Archbishop Flores, is the principal reason why he believes bolshevism of the Russian type is to rule the government.

"Last year soviet government sent a woman ambassador, Miss Kolontay, to Mexico, and although there is a bare handful of Russians in the country, she has more than 100 aides working out of her office," he said.

"These aides are paid by the soviets to promulgate the tenets of bolshevism."

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#### MRS. DILLING'S "RED NETWORK" ANALYZED

G. W. Rohrbaugh of Tacoma, Wash., has taken the pains to make an analysis of Mrs. Dilling's "Who's who of Communism in America" contained in her now famous book, "The Red Network." Here are the results.

128 are educators in outstanding universities and colleges.

There are thirty-eight ministers distributed as follows: Methodist, twenty-three; Congregational, eleven; Episcopal, nine; Presbyterian, five; Baptist, five; Catholic, four; affiliation not indicated, thirty-one.

There are twenty-eight government officials, among them eleven judges.

In the entire list there are twenty-six Jews, or two per cent of all listed.

Educators, preachers, government representatives, judges and attorneys, authors and editors con-

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instead of hanging in the loft on the barbed wire of carelessness, coldness, and indifference. Beloved, these things ought not so to be. Cultivate a praiseful spirit. Begin the day by throwing back the bed coverings with a healthy "glory to God," or "hallelujah to Jesus." Stretch your arms heavenward as soon as your feet touch the floor, regardless of how you feel (you have to get up and go at other things regardless of feelings, if you are able), and thank God. We can praise Him able or not able. Praise His name forever! The walls of the city of Jericho fell through praise alone. Paul and Silas were released from prison walls through praise alone.

Did you ever try giving thanks in any and every thing and see the clouds part, the sunshine and victory come, things mend that seemed irrevocably ruined? I believe with all my heart that nobody will be in the rapture save lived up, prayed up, praised up saints. One writer says, "Wheresoever the body (raptured saints) is there will the eagles be gathered together." Eagle typifies strength and ability to fly high. Another writer tells us, "Neither be ye sorrowful for the joy of the Lord is your strength." It looks like joyful praise and strength are synonymous terms.

Many a prayer never rose high enough to be answered because it lacked the wings of praise on one side and expectant faith on the other, that forever debars carefreeness. Be "full of care" for nothing but in every thing with thanksgiving. That is as necessary an ingredient as sugar is to cake. A life full of praise is a life of victory, success, inspiration to self and others, and opens the gates of entrance into a perfect heaven here below. Health of spirit, soul, mind, and body insures God is glorified, the soul is edified, the devil petrified with horror and leaves for other parts, the blues of others are liquified into gold and pink, the air is clarified of evil influence, and the believer is sanctified, baptized, and harmonized with heaven. Shall we sing together now and forever,

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

Amen, glory, hallelujah to Jesus!

## The Power of Praise

Mary D. Rouse Howard

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication WITH THANKSGIVING let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus," Phil. 4:6, 7.

The most potent weapon against Satan is praise and thanksgiving. The most acceptable service to God is praise and thanksgiving out of a sincere, loving, pure heart. This being so, and it undoubtedly is, why are we so niggardly and selfish with our thanks and praise to God who is the embodiment of all that is worthy of praise and thanksgiving? We show more politeness and faith toward one another than we accord our great God and Father. "Thank you for a biscuit" at the table before we

get it, or thru the day it is, "Thank you," "Much obliged," "You did that well," "You are so kind," "I love you, dear," and on and on add infinitum, while the precious, loving, thoughtful source of it all is neglected and forgotten, and only when some one else has praised and prayed down such a blessing and we are submerged in it, there is fairly forced from our lips a niggardly "praise God," or "hallelujah," and often we gobble it down without a word. Shame on us!

Many an otherwise good meeting has been drowned beneath the debris of the murmurings, complainings, groans, and faultfindings of its participants, whereas had they come to the service with their lunch box, spiritually speaking, loaded down with praise and thanksgiving, the service would have gone over the top for Jesus



# Positive Powers of Life

A. R. YORK

Ambition means possessed with a mind to accomplish an aim. It is an essential to success, yet one should guard against being over ambitious and sacrifice a point of honor.

"Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no place, that they may be placed alone in the earth!" Isa. 5:8.

From a general charge of national corruption, the prophet proceeds to specify some particular sins in the Kingdom of Judah. The first related to a breach of the fundamental law which regulates the tenure of Hebrew property. A portion of ground had been assigned to each family on entrance into the promised land, and insured as an inalienable heritage by its reversion at the jubilee. The effect was most happy in preserving an equality and performance of status among the people, in checking the ambition of leading men, in forming a barrier to foreign luxury, and to those civil discords which always spring from great inequalities of social conditions.

When the rich began to purchase the small patrimonies of the poor neighbors, it brought whole districts into a few lordly proprietors' possessions. Hence Isaiah denounced it as a national sin of the first magnitude. Therefore, we should not want to get rich in this world's goods, but we should lay up treasures in Heaven where they cannot be taken away from us. Let us not be discouraged but press on and do all we can for Jesus and the Church of God.

## Confidence

Confidence is a satisfied sensation of mind and heart that assures that all is well. "For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy feet from being taken," Prov. 3:26. When we receive the knowledge of the truth and have been filled with His goodness we then have confidence in Him and our hearts condemn us not, because we have confidence in Him who saved us, that He will also keep us by His good power.

"For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in

quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not." Isa. 30:15.

We can be saved and have such confidence that there is no doubt of our salvation, and happiness, that if we should die before Jesus comes we will be in the first resurrection and go to be with Jesus at the great marriage feast. These verses of scripture contain a lofty description of true wisdom or piety, and by verity of elegant imagery, show that even exclusive of the eternal records that await it, the present profit and enjoyment it yields far surpasses what is derivable from any mere earthly pursuit or possession. So let each one of us have more confidence in God.

Hope is a condition of mind, the parent of all effort. Hope is one of the natural stimulants of the mind and heart, and suggests a remedy for the conditions, Ezra 10:2. "The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectations of the wicked shall perish," Prov. 10:28. Hope keeps the mind awake, gives calmness of humor, makes pain easy. Without comfort of hope persecutions would be almost unendurable. The promises of hope are more valuable than the gift of fortune. "For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion. For the living know they shall die: but the dead know not anything. \* \* \* For the memory of them is forgotten," Eccl. 9:4, 5.

When we look into His grace we find the great truth Solomon has declared written as with a sunbeam, that all who are the people of the Savior enjoy. He protects all their concerns and all their good and righteous deeds are kept in His hands to be revealed in another world, where a better order of things is established. So dear friends, let us remember we don't have to hope we are saved, but we should hope we will stay saved, and be ready when he comes or calls for us, for if in this life only we have hope we are of all men most miserable. 1 Cor. 15:19.

A soldier could put on a full uniform except his helmet and yet he would not be prepared to fight, and

so it is with the people of God, we need to put on the whole armor of God and for an helmet the hope of salvation, so we will be prepared to fight the enemy at all times.

## Faith

Faith is the act of mind in admitting or agreeing to the truth of God's revealed will. There are two kinds of faith — historical and evangelical. Historical faith believes the works and life of Christ and the apostles are true. Evangelical faith is the saving faith and an entire trust in God and in Christ's teachings. Paul says faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Heb. 11:1). The foundation of true faith is knowledge of creation, and in faith is the germ of religion. The words were framed by the word of God, so things which are seen were not made by things that do appear, Heb. 11:3.

By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain. (Heb. 11:4). Such thoughts as these should help the world on to a better knowledge of faith, which is a positive power of life, upon which depends eternal life. "Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?" Matt. 6. How is it that ye have no faith? (17:5.) There are so many people in this world blind and crippled, halt and maimed, that could be healed if we only had more power with God. Oh, brothers and sisters, let us pray for more power with God. We should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints.

Jude (1:3). So let us pray for more faith so God can use us to His own glory and honor.

## Obedience

Obedience is the performance of what is required or enjoined by authority. The obedience to God is a duty of children to parents, of servants to masters, of citizens to the government.

"Honor thy father and thy mother," Exo. 20:20. Parents are to receive honor, reverence and submission as well as love. Obedience was the condition of Israel's promise. "Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers: only if they will observe to do all I have commanded them, and according to all my servant

Moses commanded them," 2 Kings 21:8. But we can see the promise was contingent on a faithful adherence to the national covenant. "If ye will be obedient and willing, ye shall eat the fruit of the land," Isa. 1:19. We notice that it is a fundamental principle in God's moral government that the soul which sinneth shall die. Therefore, we as spiritual Israel, should be very careful to be obedient to His laws and governments. We also see obedience is better than sacrifice and to hearken better than the fat of rams, 1 Sam. 15:22. So let us notice our sacrifice will not be accepted without it comes by obedience. We can sacrifice all we have and not be obedient to God. Our sacrifice would not be accepted.

The young people should be obedient to their parents and their masters but most of all let us be obedient to our Heavenly Father who watches over us.

#### Charity

Charity in a general sense is love, benevolence, and good will to men. This virtue implies every Christian grace. It is that noble impulse prompted by love and sympathy, and a desire to aid the dis-

tressed. "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not charity, I am nothing, and though I have the gift of prophecy, and have not charity it profiteth me nothing, and though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity it profiteth me nothing," 1 Cor. 13:1, 2, 3. Now the end of the commandments is charity, 1 Tim. 1:5. We should use liberality in gifts and services to promote public objects of utility. And if charity is the end of the commandments, we should be very careful in our love and deeds which show the amount of charity we possess. We should do our best to get people saved and filled with charity, because charity will cover a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8. "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength, this is the first commandment," Mark 12:30. Now I am persuaded to believe that if we measure up to this first commandment we will be more than likely to keep the rest of the commandments. Therefore let each one of our young people show more charity as well as the older ones.

Small business men innocently think they can devise some system to make their businesses pay an honest profit. They soon learn that today's huge industrial machines leave no room for honest independent enterprise.

In the face of inevitable collapse, propagandists still endeavor to spread the groaning foundation of worldly insinuations with a veneer of optimism, giving an appearance of strength to the supports which are crumbling under their load. A new era is at hand. Satan, the "god of this world," 2 Cor. 4:4, will resist it down to the very end. Just before the final collapse a champion will appear whose supremacy will make him stand out above all men. His success in saving the world will be short-lived, being overthrown by Him whose right it is to reign, the "King of kings and Lord of Lords." 1 Tim. 6:15.

Blind and dark are the hearts of earth's inhabitants while they are content with a world of violence and sin. Hear God's prophet, "The rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, their tongue is deceitful in their mouth, the good man is perished out of the earth; and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net." Micah 6:12; 7:2.

The same prophet adds, Micah 7:7, "Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me."

#### SPECIAL

GREAT FALLS, S. C.—We thank the Lord for the blessings we received during the week's revival here conducted by Brother John H. Smith, our pastor. Brother Smith has done some wonderful work here. He has fought the devil with all his might. He has preached the Word in its fullness, uncompromising with the world. Two were saved and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We feel sure that Bro. Smith is a God-sent man and the man we need in Great Falls. The saints are revived and on fire for God, the world is getting interested and the devil mad. We desire the prayers of all saints that we may keep on the firing line and in the center of God's will at all times.—L. C. Self, clerk.

## Past, Present and Future

Ralph Snyder, in the 'Farm and Home Radio Hour,' says, "The average income for the American farm family for one year was less than \$100.00. This amount was received for time spent in working long hours, and with it the clothing was to be bought, the taxes paid, and other farm expenses met." The statement is based on statistics compiled by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

When a man by stealth or by violence takes possession of the property of another it is called stealing. God says, "Thou shalt not steal." Those who rob the laborer of the fruits of his toil through commercial transactions are no less thieves than those who directly lay hands on that which is not theirs. . . .

"Twenty-five American corporations control more than forty billion dollars worth of the national wealth," says a news report—these corporations have grown more wealthy since 1929, while other

enterprises have grown steadily poorer.

An eastern business man prominent in national affairs owned a company producing fifteen million tons of coal a year. This concern was a subsidiary of a New England Utilities Company. This business man also held a heavy interest in a northern coal producing company. The financial journal, "Record," says this first company "sells coal at fancy prices to the utilities in which it holds a stock interest." While the northern company "sells below cost to ruin independent operators." This is a sample of the various 'rackets' by which high finance corners the national wealth. One coal company reaped a huge profit, which the public had to pay in high power rates; the other company operated at a loss to ruin competitors. had its losses covered by the paying company, with a fancy profit left for the racketeering business man.

## *The Gospel Portrayed in Prophecy by the Prophet Isaiah*

By PAUL H. WALKER

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During this golden age Isaiah saw Him again as

### **A Rod to Rule**

Isaiah 11:1. He says that "there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: and the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked." Here we see John's message in Rev. 19:11-12, also Rev. 14 and Mal. 4, in their fulfillment at the close of the 70th week of Daniel's prophecy. This will be at the time of the revelation of the one who smites the nations and destroys those that opposed His elect (the Jew, or Israel). Verse 5 says, "And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins." The time of our election is upon us when we are choosing men for our offices and government, both state and national, but how hard it is to find those who will have righteousness as the girdle of their loins. How unfaithful those are today who are at the head of government because of being ruled by the moneyed powers of earth—crushing the poor, keeping back from them that which they have labored for and rightfully earned; but when this age comes faithfulness and righteousness will be the girdle of His loins and the girdle of His reins. Nothing shall hurt nor destroy in this kingdom for the wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together. And think of this! A little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones

shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, just as full as the waters covering the sea.

Isaiah tells us again in the 40th chapter and 9th, 10th, and 11th verses, "O Zion (Israel), that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: (Jesus is His arm. To whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? To those who know Jesus in the great plan for His people.) behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young."

Moses tells us in Gen. 49:10 "The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come (Shiloh is one of the glorious names of the Messiah denoting Him to be the only procurer of our happiness and our alone Peace maker with God for it importeth a Saviour or happy blessed peace-maker), and unto him shall the gathering of the people be. Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass' colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes: His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk." Let us notice again a comparison in Rev. 19:12. "His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns (many crowns because he had dethroned the kings of earth and their crowns became his); and he had a name written that no man knew but he himself. The armies which were in heaven

followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean." No wonder Moses said a lawgiver was coming and unto Him the gathering of the people would be. And here we see in verse 15 that He trod the wine-press with the fierceness of the wrath of God. He trod it alone on Golgotha's brow, and He will tread it again in the great battle of Armageddon.

Then we go back a little and consider Him as

### **A Road Builder**

Isaiah tells us (40:3-4) that "the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

Then we refer to Matt. 3:1-3. Now we note that this speaks of John the Baptizer laying the foundation plank in the platform of the New Testament. "For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." John was likened unto one who built the road, primarily speaking, by laying the foundation of repentance, for in order to receive this Messiah we must repent. Repentance is the first and main principle that brings us in contact with God's divine nature. Hence, Isaiah preached the gospel of repentance through prophecy which was fulfilled in the coming of John and Jesus. Isaiah spoke of Him in the 52 chapter and 14 verse as having His

### **Face Marred**

more than any man, and His form more than the sons of man. Then Matthew tells us in the 26th chapter and 67th verse that "they spit in his face and buffeted him." (The original text says "struck him with clenched fists.") Others smote Him with the palms of their hands." Here we see the marring of His face more than any man, and His form more than the sons of man. It took all this to make up that which was necessary to purchase the price of our redemption. Isaiah speaks also of

### **His Death**

Isaiah 53:4, "Surely he hath borne



our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted." Verses 5, 6, 7 says, "He was wounded for our transgressions \* \* \* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; with his stripes we are healed." We had gone astray, turned to our own way, but the Lord laid upon Him (Jesus) the iniquity of us all. "He was oppressed, afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. As a lamb to the slaughter he was brought, as a sheep before

her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth." Matt. 27:45-50 speaks of His death, and the Psalmist David in the 22 Psalm. If you will read it you will note that he gives us, prophetically, almost a perfect story of the exact happenings that took place in the hour of agony, trial, and death of our Savior. In this we see the gospel and the provisions made for its establishment portrayed by the prophets.

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## NOTICES

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nouncements. Refrain from inviting speakers at the expense of the lesson period. See that a constructive financial policy is developed. Think daily of your school and pray for its success. Believe in the Sunday School as a call to life service. Invite your state superintendent to visit your school. Visit at least one or more schools and observe their plans of operation. Study your record system with a view to improving its operation or to introducing a new system if found necessary. Always welcome suggestions and give them consideration but do not feel it necessary to adopt them all. Make a report on close of each quarter to your district superintendent and magnify the work of your school by giving accurate and vital facts concerning its work. Leave nothing to chance for the work of each Sunday, remembering that planned programs produce results. List carefully the homes of your congregation.

Carefully check up on the membership of each home as compared with the Sunday School membership. Announce the purpose of the school to secure 100 per cent homes. Make a canvass for the purpose of inviting the fathers and mothers to help you in your efforts. Give names of people who are now out of the Sunday School, to class or department groups, with the explanation that these names are prospective members. Set a date when announcements will be made concerning the number of 100 per cent Sunday School homes.

Superintendents and other responsible workers should seek to impress the parents with the value of the 100 per cent Sunday School

homes.

New teachers should be secured in advance to care for new classes likely to develop. The training feature should be especially in charge of the pastor. Definitely outline plans for the new Sunday School year.

The school with leaders filled with powers of resolution will never face the probabilities of untimely dissolution. Resolution means determination, it involves study and careful planning, it looks upon a difficulty as an opportunity for self-improvement rather than as a time for an attack of discouragement. Resolution annihilates dissolution as the bright sun dispels clouds. Dissolution is pessimism in action. Resolution is optimism engaged in meeting the issue even against odds. When resolution dies out in a school or an individual it means that surrender has taken place and dissolution begun to set in. Maybe the teaching force of the school has been depleted by one thing or a combination of circumstances. The pastor, the superintendent, and other responsible leaders must face the question of creating a new staff of teachers. Resolution means that these workers are not going out of business. Dissolution means that they have folded their hands and quit.

The superintendent who does not read will not see this article unless some one who does read brings it to his attention. In that case, if he is a fair-minded superintendent, he will take kindly the interest of his friend, for true friends try to help one another in the matter of character building and usefulness. "Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful." The superintendent who does not read, and who stays close at home, is very liable to be content with a

very small group of ideas about the Sunday School, and to wear deep and vicious grooves in his management of the school by the bad habit of doing the same things in the same way every Sunday, year in and year out. No live Sunday School superintendent ever ceases to inform himself. The leader of young people must not be impervious to new ideas, must be willing to revise his notions, must guard against monotony of any sort, and must be alive to all that is going on. He must keep up with the procession, even though he must learn to travel a new gait now and then, otherwise the superintendent is not getting anywhere. He was at his goal the first Sunday he had charge of the Sunday School, and he has been right there ever since. His mind travels in a very small circle around that goal, if it travels at all. There is nothing to challenge his thought because, being isolated from other Sunday School workers and evolving no new ideas of his own, there is nothing to think about. With the numerous sources of information now available to every Sunday School worker, there is nothing to necessitate any superintendent becoming "dead above the eyes," and to do so is to become a "cumberer of the ground" and miss the opportunity of a life-time. Fortunately the number of reading superintendents is increasing with each passing year.—J. E. McComas, Dist. Supt., Sunday Schools, Logan Dist., Logan, W. Va.

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To the ministry and membership of the Church of God in Georgia: This is to give notice of appointments and plans for the promotion of the Church in the State this assembly year.

### STATE EVANGELIST

Brother G. B. Langford of Fitzgerald, Ga., has been appointed state evangelist. Those desiring his service should write him as early as possible so he can make arrangements for meetings.

### MISSIONS

Brother L. H. Rickerson of 1022 State St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga., has been re-appointed treasurer of the state mission fund. Each church is required to raise an amount equal to five per cent of all tithes paid in each month. One half of said amount is to be sent to E. J. Beeh-



mer, General Secretary, and the other half to the state mission treasurer whose name and address is given above. Remember that this is required by the General Assembly and a check-up is ordered on the churches that do not raise their mission quota.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

The General Assembly has fully outlined our Sunday School work and we advise that each district overseer, pastor, and Sunday School superintendent acquaint himself with said outline as it appears in the Minutes of the Annual Assembly, under the heading of "Sunday School." Brother U. D. Tidwell has been appointed state Sunday School superintendent, to serve until our Sunday School convention meets, the time and place for said convention to be announced later. Sunday School secretaries will please make a monthly report to U. D. Tidwell, 1018 State St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S ENDEAVOR

The Assembly has made provisions for the C. of G. Y. P. E. and this work is also outlined in the Minutes of the Annual Assembly. This is important work and we trust that every church will organize their young people. Each district overseer is superintendent of the Y. P. E. in his district and it will be his duty to see that each church in his district has a Young People's Endeavor. Brother Ira Metters of Alma, Ga., has been appointed secretary and treasurer of the C. of G. Y. P. E. in Georgia.

#### GENERAL INDEBTEDNESS

The general indebtedness drive was continued and the quota for each church to raise is forty cents per member. This should be paid by Jan. 1, and each pastor should keep this before his congregation till the mountain is cast into the sea.

#### AGED MINISTERS' FUND

Each church is required to raise an amount equal to ten cents per member for the aged ministers' fund. This is a small amount for each one to pay and will take care of ministers who have fought on the battle field till age has overtaken them. We feel sure that Church of God people in Georgia are as loyal as can be found anywhere and we are counting on them to prove their loyalty this year as in previous years. Come on, pastors, and let's go over the

top. Just keep your churches informed concerning their duty and they will help you put things over.

#### STATE CONVENTION

It was decided in our minister's meeting to have just one state convention instead of the North and South Georgia conventions. This convention will be held at Macon in the latter part of March. Free entertainment will be given delegates to the convention, and a committee was selected to work out the plans. The committee is Brothers Oglesby, Darden, and Toler of Macon, and Brother Harmon of Alma. This committee will announce their plan for raising money to feed delegates to the convention. We will expect each district to be largely represented. Every preacher in the state should make preparation to attend the state convention as their standing in the ministry depends on their co-operation in every department of the church. Churches should see that their pastors have money to pay traveling expenses to and from the state convention.

#### STATE HEADQUARTERS

In the ministers' meeting it was suggested and agreed that the state should have a permanent headquarters for the Church of God. A state parsonage fund was created and each church is requested to take an offering for this purpose and send to the state mission treasurer each month. This offering can be sent with the mission offering. The state mission board will have charge of this fund as it does the mission fund. An investigating committee was selected to find a location and work out plans for this development.

A state camp meeting, supported by the entire state, was suggested and a committee was appointed in the northern part of the state to co-operate with the South Georgia committee in working out plans for said meeting.

Let us pray, and work together for the salvation of souls and a prosperous year for the Church of God in the State of Georgia.—Yours for service, J. P. Hughes, state overseer.

Beginning the first Sunday in December, Sisters Pauline Jackson and Myrtle Whitehead will be in Wilmington, N. C., 411 Wright St., conducting a revival. We desire your prayers that much will be

accomplished, and God will reward you.—Yours in His service, T. C. Barefort, 1119 S. 7th St.

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If any church in Georgia, Florida, or Alabama needs a revival, we are now ready to serve you. Or we will go to any new place where there is no church and you need help. I am at your service. I have been a minister in the Church of God for twelve years. Write at once if interested.—Humbly, W. A. Sullivan, 324 Railroad St., Thomaston, Ga.

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This is to notify the churches in California that Brother Haskel Williams is appointed state superintendent of the Y. P. E. His address is Baldwin Park, Calif. Brother Loman Bengel, Long Beach, Calif., is appointed state superintendent of Sunday Schools. Brother Chas. Cleland, Baldwin Park, Calif., is home mission treasurer.—W. G. Webb, overseer of California.

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The Church of God at Hiwassee wants to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: L. C. Yates, Clara Yates, W. O. Runyon, Mae Runyon, Bessie McKee, Lovnia Rogers, Haley Bowers, Francis Bowers, Callie Cansler, Alice Bowers, Mamie Johnson. If not heard from by Jan. 1, 1935 their names will be dropped from the roll.—W. F. Green, clerk, Madisonville, Tenn., Rt. 3.

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To all the churches in Arkansas, both ministry and laity: Greetings. After having fairly well gone over the state and getting the district appointments made, we are ready to announce the following: District overseers—Bald Knob, W.

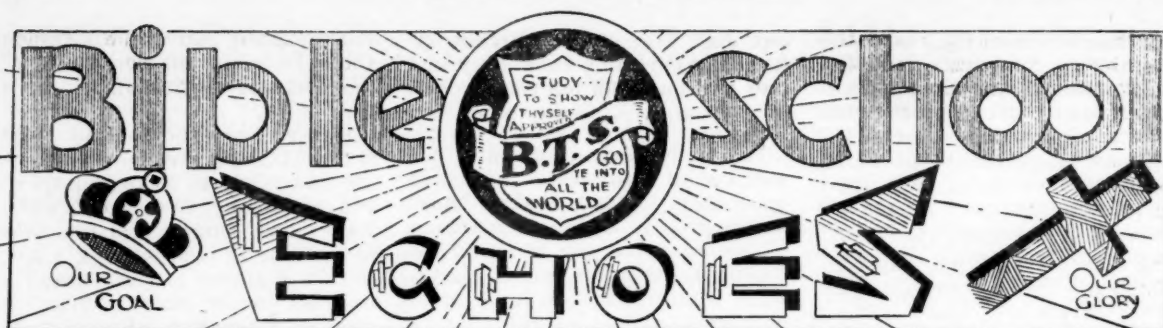
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### A PRAISE FOR B. T. S.

A few words of praise for B. T. S.! I can say with all my heart that Bible School is the place for me. If we are to shoulder the cross, we need to be trained for the battles and trials that will come thru defending the Gospel of Jesus Christ. May God bless every child of His in South Carolina who are helping me thru school. My prayers are that some day if God tarries I will be a blessing to some lost soul.—Yours in the Master's service, Carl Cox

### SERVING A PRAYER-ANSWERING GOD

I am thanking God for the opportunity of attending this wonderful school. Although the way is not clear to finish the term, I am serving a prayer-answering God and need not worry. I can also say that here in school these first six weeks I have learned more actual facts than a whole year at home and have had more blessings from God. There are many students here this year on faith who desire an interest in your prayers. May God bless you.—Humbly in His service, Lester Hawkes, Gibson, Mont.

### THANKFUL TO BE IN B. T. S.

I surely praise the Lord for an opportunity to attend the six weeks' normal. I praise Him for the way He has blessed me since I've been at Bible Training School. He surely has been a blessing to me along life's pathway. I desire each one of you to pray for me that I will get to come the whole term next year.—Nettie Tyndall, Erwin, N. C.

### APPRECIATES B. T. S.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Bible Training School and its loyal superintendent, Brother J. H. Walker. I know that this institution must be the greatest on God's green earth for the training of boys, girls, men and

women. It surely teaches the things necessary for one who is qualifying for work in God's vineyard which is now ripe and ready to harvest.

There never was a time when there was a greater need of consecrated workers with stability to stay on the fields than there is at the present time. It is my prayer daily that I will stay humble and stay in the center of God's divine will and be a blessing to others.—Your fellow-servant, Alex J. Duncan, Frostproof, Fla

### THANKSGIVING IN B. T. S.

In everything give thanks for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus concerning you.

The day which man has set apart for Thanksgiving is a day that comes once a year. As this day draws near people begin to plan for a day of rejoicing over some great feast or some jubilee. But this should be spent in giving thanks unto Him because of our many blessings of life. This should be an everyday duty of each one. I am thanking God for love and salvation. I am thankful to be back in good old B. T. S. This is my second term and it's impossible to express what it has meant to me. Truly God is pleased with B. T. S. because of His many blessings to the school. Every one seems to think that this is the best term the school has known. Every student seems to be willing to work in every way for the school. in Y. P. E., street services and B. T. S. mission. Pray that I will always be a blessing.—Yours for His service, Albert Childers, Lenoir, N. C.

### NO OTHER SCHOOL LIKE IT

For the past ten years it has been my whole heart's desire to attend Bible School but different hindrances kept me from coming until this term. It is my happy privilege to attend for the first time.

I am sure if it had not been for the Lord hearing and answering my prayers I would not have been here.

Even some few weeks before school began I hardly saw any way, but praise God I am here. I am sure there is not another school like the Church of God Bible School, where we can enjoy the presence of the Lord, pray to our hearts' content with teachers who have the Holy Ghost, and study the precious Word of God that we may be more able to rightly divide the word of truth. Oh! I am so happy in the Lord and for an experience like those who were continually praising God in one accord until they received power from on high on the day of Pentecost.—F. D. O'Neal, 305 E. Belknap St., Ft. Worth, Tex.

### ENJOYS HIS RICHEST BLESSINGS

Dear Evangel readers, it affords me great pleasure to have this opportunity of writing to the Evangel while in Bible School. Indeed, it is one of the most heavenly places I have ever been and I don't expect to find any better this side of the gloryland. For the past three years I have wanted to come to B. T. S. but had never succeeded until this year. I began to lay and make plans some three or four months before time for school and the devil did too, but I succeeded, and I thank God and the people who helped make it possible for me to be here to enjoy the rich blessings that we are receiving just now.

In conclusion I ask the people who know the worth of prayer to pray a special prayer for me to get the Holy Ghost soon.—Your brother, Cecil Bridges, Dodd City, Tex.

### NEEDS GRACIOUSLY SUPPLIED

I am praising God this morning for the great privilege of being in Bible Training School. For many



years this has been my desire but I have been hindered until this time. Words cannot express my appreciation to God and the precious ones who gave to my school fund, and thus made it possible for me to be here. Thus far my needs have been graciously supplied and when I think of it, it brings tears of joy to my eyes. Surely it isn't my worthiness but God's goodness and the love of my good friends, brothers and sisters on the field. I haven't forgotten you either. I pray God's richest blessings will ever be with each of you and that I will see you again after school. There are many I haven't written but I haven't forgotten you. Pray that my needs will be continuously supplied to the end. Those of you on the field who desire to write me may do so. Address 109 24th St., Cleveland, Tenn.—Very sincerely and humbly yours in His love, T. C. Franklin, 208 S. Rose Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.

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#### B. T. S. MISSION NEWS

Dear brothers, sisters and friends everywhere, a few more words concerning our mission work. The mission bands came back with more reports concerning their work last Saturday. I feel that our services last Saturday were by far the greatest yet. Keep praying that God will keep blessing and we students will be more faithful to His calling than ever before. Following are our brief reports for Saturday, Nov. 17, 1935.

##### Saturday, Nov. 17

Benton—Brother G. G. Patton and his band went back to Benton and had service Saturday night in the courthouse. Brother Patton says that there was good interest manifested and a good crowd was there. This work is growing and God is blessing there.

Dalton, Ga.—Street service was held in Dalton with Brother Albert Childers preaching, using Matt. 11:28 for his text. Several people raised their hands for prayer. These same boys went over to Ringgold for street service.

Ringgold, Ga.—Brother Henson preached at the street service in Ringgold, using 2 Tim. 3:1-5. Several requested prayer that they might be saved from sin. These boys stayed over for service in one of the homes Saturday night. Bro. Childers brought the message using "Judgments of God" as his subject, text, Gen. 6:3. An altar

call was given and ten came forward for prayer. Five of this number were saved. Thank God for it.

Cleveland—There were about one hundred fifty people present with Brother Archie McWilliams delivering the message, using Heb. 4:12 as text. Praise God for these boys and girls who will go and work for God. May God's richest blessings rest upon every reader.—Woodrow Byrd, secretary.

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#### GOD PREPARED THE WAY

I have often thought if it were really true that I, who only a few months ago was far from the Savior's fold, could have the privilege of attending Bible School. I wish I was able to express my appreciation for the school and the aid of the faculty. God has wonderfully prepared the way for me to attend that I would feel ashamed to ask Him for anything else but a more consecrated life. I wish every one, especially young people, could come to school here. The opportunity to advance in your spiritual life and the knowledge you can obtain from the helpful, inspiring subjects offered here, is well worth your tuition and the many studious hours spent. I pray that God will make the way for every person who wishes to attend Bible School next year. Pray that I may be blessed by coming another time.—A friend, D. C. Barnes, Ruskin, Fla.

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#### THE BELIEVER'S COURSE IN TIMES OF THE APOSTASY

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itual matters which can only be known thru the Spirit of God.

They have gone in the way of Cain, v. 11. A man who devises his own religion and rejects redemption by the blood, has fallen into Balaam's error, not realizing that the people of God are sheltered by the blood of the Lamb. They have fallen into Korah's error, Num. 16, and so like him press themselves into the place of religious authorities. The image becomes more severe. They are like the sunken rocks in the ocean. When the ship is out of course it fails to see these rocks covered by water just enough, over which if the ship rides they will destroy it. 1 Tim. 1:19.

They sit at the communion table in our love feast and speak soft words while at the same time they

reject all for which the emblem stands. It is no wonder that unenlightened believers are confused. They feed themselves without fear. They seem to have no conscientious convictions, and in fact they are out of harmony with the church Jesus purchased with His own blood. They are clouds without water. In the hot climate of the east how eagerly the people look to the cloud as promise of giving rain from heaven, and what bitter disappointment when the cloud passes away leaving the earth unrefreshed as before. In vain men will look to the false teachers for spiritual refreshing for they are moved with the popular winds and all they produce is thunder. They are autumn trees without fruit. At the very time when they should be loaded with fruit there is nothing that can be called fruit. They are twice dead, so spiritually dead as to be doubly dead, yet professing to be spiritual.

Jude piles up even stronger terms. They are raging waves foaming out their own shame, V. 13. There is no stability in their conclusion. They are ever restless, breaking and scattering the wreckage of souls. They are wandering stars to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever. A star broken away from its centripetal course plunges faster and faster into space eventually becoming a crystal of ice sweeping forever into midnight. Such will be the result of persons wilfully rejecting the truth of God. They are plunging into outer darkness forever. They are murmurers and complainers. They find much fault with the way God did things in Old Testament times. They complain bitterly about the prophets. They denounce the poetical writings as immoral. Such doctrine as the second coming of Christ they have no use of whatever.

Their transcendent knowledge becomes apparent by the marvelous phraseologies which they use and with no understanding. They have men's persons in admiration because of advantage. They play to the galleries by seeking to stand in with the popular leaders of the day thus keeping themselves in the limelight. They separate themselves, they are agnostics. They mark off a circle of the learned, declaring that there is no real scholarship outside of their circle.

The most significant statement

of all is the conclusion of verse 19, they are sensual, having not the Spirit. Man is a threefold being, —spirit, soul, and body. All is amiss when these are not kept in their proper relation—the soul controlled by the spirit, and the spirit by the Holy Ghost. Men who have not the Spirit are walking according to the spirit of their own minds. They are not capable of directing men in spiritual matters no matter how highly educated they may be. The Spirit of God alone can direct men, and apart from the Spirit men will go in error. It is a fact that unregenerated hearts lie at the root of modernism. The Bible is of no private interpretation, 2 Peter 1:20. The Holy Ghost is the great interpreter, John 16:14, 15. It is His mission to give spiritual understanding to every prayerful individual, 1 John 2:27; 1 Cor. 2:11, 12. Solomon's warning is given against adding to or subtracting from the plain statements of scripture. Deut. 4:2; Prov. 30:6. It should be borne in mind that the Bible is a commentary upon its own teachings and that comparing scripture with scripture sheds light upon statements difficult to understand. Believers are warned especially in the latter times to lay all such teachings and doctrines by the Word of God, 1 John 4:1; to mark and avoid them, Rom. 16:17; to stop their mouths when they bring in their heresy into the Christian fold.

It is not necessary for one to study errors extremely in order to refute them, but by sticking to the plain Word of God we may be able to be free from the errors of false teachings. I trust that all true lovers of God will be more prayerful and studious, especially the ministry of the church, so that we may be able to lead our people in the plain paths of truth and righteousness, for we are surely in the last days and if we are ready for the coming of Jesus we certainly will have to have the Spirit and power of God to direct us and His Spirit will always lead us according to His Word.

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B. Johnson; Imboden, H. W. Williams; Marked Tree, J. A. McCullar; Bauxite, W. I. Burford; Forrest City, Jesse Danehower; Omaha district, with only one church,

to be supplied. Y. P. E. state superintendent, Dewey Martin, Marked Tree, Ark.; state superintendent of Sunday School, C. E. Tarpley, Forrest City, Ark.; state mission treasurer, M. C. Luallen, Forrest City, Ark. State mission board: S. J. Wood, Jesse Danehower, J. A. McCullar. This board has agreed to rule that state mission funds will be expended in behalf of evangelistic work in new fields only. The state superintendent of Sunday Schools has already pre-

pared a state banner and grade cards. Just as soon as he supplies each place with these cards, I insist that each Sunday School make a strong effort to have the banner all the time. I also insist that each local and district Y. P. E. official get in touch with the state superintendent relative to his plans for a greater Y. P. E., and too, remember your paper, The Lighted Pathway. I certainly feel encouraged about the work in Arkansas this year and I am ready

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any time to serve you faithfully in our work. We mean to very soon be in your field again and especially to visit the few churches we failed to get to on our previous round. An Oklahoma report will follow next week.—Yours very truly, your brother and servant, S. J. Wood, overseer of Oklahoma and Arkansas, Bx. 164, Lawton, Okla.

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If there is a man and wife or two women who want to go to Arkansas and help pay expenses, please write me. They must be Church of God folks.—Mrs. E. E. Clere, Rt. 4, Jackson, Ohio.

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My address is now McCook, Nebraska, Gen. Del. We are planning to start a meeting here in a few days. D. V. Pray for us as this is a new field for the Church of God. If any good evangelist who can sing and play and is not afraid to trust the Lord for support, feels led to work in Nebraska in new fields, get in touch with me at once.—Reuben H. Martin, overseer of Nebraska.

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To all who would like to write us for any purpose, our address is Bx. 328, Blacksburg, S. C.—W. D. Childers.

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We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Sisters G. B. Fleming and Anna Fetter by our next quarterly conference. If not heard from their names will be dropped from the church roll at Ree, N. Dak.—David Keller, clerk, Beulah, N. Dak.

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas the entire membership of the Church of God, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn., believe, teach, and practice total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks and alcoholic beverages, and also agree that to partake of same is a test of fellowship: we the ministers of the above named church in the State of Georgia, having met together in joint session, moderated by the overseer of the Church of God in said state, and having present with us S. W. Latimer, General Overseer of said church, do hereby resolve that we are highly in favor of the state prohibition law, and urge a more stringent enforcement of same. Believing that all Christian people should use their influence to pre-

vent liquor evils, we solemnly pledge ourselves to assist in every way we possibly can to prevent any repeal of the state prohibition in Georgia.

We furthermore pledge our influence against the spread of nudism and all other forms of vice that leads to moral corruption and destroys virtue.—J. P. Hughes, Moderator; S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

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To all the Y. P. E. members of Alabama: It is the duty of every Y. P. E. to help Brother E. M. Smith thru Bible School, as he was our Y. P. E. state superintendent and very little was done in his behalf then. Let's not be slackers but show him how much we appreciate his work in the state, by taking up offerings and canned fruit and other things. Let's do everything we can to help him and the Lord will bless every effort.—A Y. P. E. member, Laura Peppers, C/o Bemis Bag Co., Talladega, Ala.

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The Church of God at Stevens Chapel, Nicholville, Ala., wants to know the whereabouts of Ruth Christian, Nora Brackenridge, and Etura Mitchel. If not heard from by next conference, their names will be dropped from the church roll.—Yours in Christ, Freeman Smith, Nicholville, Ala.

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If any church has any discarded song books that could be used for a while, we would appreciate getting them. We will pay postage on them. We are just getting a church started here and the books would be a big help to us.—Austin Thompson, 636 Potter St., Chester, Pa.

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Correspondents take notice. Our new address for the assembly year will be Box 73, Bonifay, Fla.—T. P. Douglas, district pastor, West Florida district.

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The Washington district convention will convene at the Church of God seven miles from Washington, N. C., at the camp ground. Dec. 8, 9. All ministers, deacons, clerks, and Sunday School and Y. P. E. workers, be sure to attend and receive the instructions you will need after you get back home. There will be a special meeting for ministers Saturday, the 8th, at 3 p. m. We hope all the folks in the district, or as many as possibly

can, will be here. We have been on the work only two weeks but we want to get acquainted. We are here to be a blessing to you if possible. Brother John L. Stephens, our state overseer, will be in charge. Come on, dear people, let's make this the best convention ever known here. Everybody is invited. Come praying for a great time in the Lord. We welcome the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. There will be all-day meeting Sunday. Bring your baskets of good things to eat.—Your humble district overseer, J. L. Dorman, Washington, N. C.

#### EDITORIALS

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stitute twenty per cent of the whole list.

It would seem that America's danger is from the highbrow "pinks," rather than an invisible Jewish government. As Mr. Rohrbach concludes: "It is Gentile educators who are undermining the foundations of our homes, schools, churches and state."—Prophecy.

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#### PRAYER HOUR

A few state overseers and some pastors are sending their pledges and list of names agreeing to pray one hour daily for the success of the Church in general; for the benefit of the mission fields, and the needs of their local churches. We are anxiously awaiting every minister's letter of reply stating that he is taking his stand with us to recruit 10,000 members who are willing to pray at least one hour per day. Many of these ministers and overseers have expressed themselves as believing that it is God's plan for us at this time. Let us revive the prayer life of the Church that spiritual blessings may follow.

#### A DIVINE TOUCH

STEELE, Mo.—I praise my good Lord this morning for His good healing power. I was taken very seriously ill a few days ago with chills and fever. I left the church Sunday morning, Oct 21st, with a hard chill and after service the good saints came to my home and prayed for me and God touched my body. I got up and went to church. Praise the Lord, the chills are gone.—A brother, B. F. Cooper, Rt. 2, Box 125

## REQUESTS

We have just begun a revival at Salem and the Lord is blessing wonderfully. We desire the prayers of all the saints that we might come out victorious and many souls be brought to Jesus.—D. L. Dovenbarger, Salem, S. C.

Dear saints, please pray that God will send some good Holy Ghost filled preacher down in Coffee County, Alabama, to Zore community, where there are lots of false doctrines being preached and where there are lots of hearts hungry for the real truth of the Church of God. I am not saved but would like for the saints to pray that God will deepen conviction till I get saved.—W. D. Pridgen, Rt. 5, Elba, Ala.

Saints, pray that I will grow stronger in the Lord and my husband, boys and girls will be saved soon.—Yours in Jesus, Ada Pridgen.

Will you please pray for me? I have a goiter or something growing on my neck. I know God can take it away.—Addie Martin, Blacksburg, S. C.

The Church of God at Whitwell, Tenn. is in a revival and the Lord is blessing. Pray for the people here and the revival. Brother John Scalf is conducting the meeting. We are thankful for him.—Joe Colston, Whitwell, Tenn.

Dear saints, please pray for my loved ones who are out in sin. I have a husband, two sisters and two brothers, one of whom is in the Hawaiian islands. I know that God can save him there. Also please pray for me to be faithful and true.—A sister, Mrs. W. H. Wise, Shelburn, Ind.

Our little girl has the sore eyes very badly so pray that God will heal her.—R. O. Woodruff, Donna, Tex.

Please pray for our meeting with Brother W. D. Childers in charge. Pray that souls will be saved. We ask the neighboring churches to come and be with us.—Your brother in Christ, B. T. Sprouse, pastor, Greenwood, S. C.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE

It is now time to order Sunday School literature for the first quarter. Send your order immediately if you expect to receive your literature before the congested holiday mail. Order plenty of literature for your school, allowing for increases during the quarter. We still have plenty of literature for the present quarter. Don't allow your classes to be hindered due to increases during the holiday season. Give them a quarterly and try to hold them in your school. Write name and address plainly and be sure to send cash with the order.

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## REQUESTS

I ask that the saints pray that I might be able to get a share crop or dairy with a Church of God man where we can help with church and Sunday School work. We are ten in family and belong to the Church of God.—P. Q. Davis, R. F. D. 4, Osyka, Miss.

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Please pray for the conversion of my husband and father. My sister-in-law wishes prayer for her husband. Pray that the family will be converted and united again.—A sister.

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Dear saints, I have been afflicted in my body for quite a while. I ask every saint of God to take me on your heart and pray a special prayer for the healing of my body. I want to be healed for the glory of God. He has healed me before for which I thank Him. I would like to hear from Sisters Mary Lynch, Annie Miller, and Louise Evans, and many others who care to write me letters of encouragement. — Mrs. A. A. Carpenter, 1328 17th St., Detroit, Mich.

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I want every one to pray for my home. We have twelve children from twenty-two months old to twenty-three. Our home has been one of peace and love but in these evil days the devil is trying to tear it up. Dear saints, pray till you get victory that we may continue in love. Pray much for us and for our church.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Nettie Daniels, Rt. 1, Box 83, Eupora, Miss.

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Please pray for the eight-year-old daughter of Mrs. Bessie H'ganbotham who has something wrong with her throat and is afflicted all in her body. Her mother says she believes with all her heart that God will heal her. It seems the doctor can do her no good.—G. L. Varnes, Stewart, Miss.

## TRUSTING THE LORD

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.—I am a young girl saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the Church of God. I have been in the Way about a year. I haven't taken any kind of drugs since a few days after I was saved. Since that time I have been sick quite a

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bit. People have asked me many times to take medicine but thank God I haven't let the devil get that much on me.

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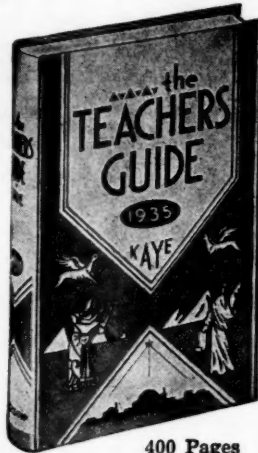
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CORDOVA, Ala.—I am glad to report that King Jesus is my Healer and Redeemer. On July 3rd my knee was sprained. My knee cap was thrown out of place. We supposed it broken in the joint. God delivered me on July 21st and I can walk perfectly now. I have not been in service since the Sunday after the accident. The last service was at Bethel church, Lake Park, Ga., Rt. 3. I am now in a battle for my blessed Lord at Haylow, Ga. with Brother Carter. Pray much that God will bless.—Yours in Christ, Ivan Gilbert.

#### FIRST CHURCHES TO SEND ASSESSMENT FOR OLD MINISTERS' FUND

We have just received from Zeno C. Tharp of South Carolina, a letter containing a check for \$45.00 paying his church's assessment for the old ministers' fund. We also received from Glyndon Logsdon of Hamilton, Ohio, a check for \$20.00 paying the church's ten cents per member assessment for the old ministers. This was paid by the Y. P. E. of that church. We will certainly appreciate it if all the churches will look after these things as early as possible. Right now the old ministers need some money for Christmas. Thanking all the ministers and local churches in advance for their ten cents per member, I am faithfully yours, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

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